

SENATE BILL 648

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By: **Senator Pipkin**
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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Transportation – Chesapeake Bay Bridge Crossing – Environmental Impact**
3 **Study for a Third Span**

4 FOR the purpose of explicitly stating the power of the Maryland Transportation
5 Authority to conduct or coordinate a study of the environmental impact of a
6 proposed transportation facility; requiring the Maryland Transportation
7 Authority, in collaboration with certain other agencies, to commence the
8 process, on or before a certain date, to conduct and complete an Environmental
9 Impact Study for a third crossing of the Chesapeake Bay; requiring that the
10 Environmental Impact Study be for a span at a certain location; and generally
11 relating to an Environmental Impact Study for a third span of the Chesapeake
12 Bay.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Transportation
15 Section 4–205
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Transportation**

21 4–205.

22 (a) Subject to § 4–306 of this title and in addition to the powers otherwise
23 specifically granted by law, the Authority has the powers described in this section.

24 (b) The Authority may acquire, hold, and dispose of property in the exercise
25 of its powers and performance of its duties.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) adjacent to the existing dual bridges spanning the Chesapeake Bay
2 between Anne Arundel County, Maryland and Kent Island, Queen Anne's County,
3 Maryland; or

4 (2) at other locations in Maryland with termini on the Western and
5 Eastern shores that are determined to be environmentally and economically feasible
6 by the Maryland Department of Transportation.

7 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 2010.